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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: DE CUELLAR REPORTS TO SYG THAT BOTH GREEK AND
TURKISH CYPRIOTS OPPOSED TO EARLY CONVENING OF PRELIMINARY
TALKS.

REF: USUN 2986

1. SYG WALDHEIM ASKED BRITISH CHARGE THOMAS TO HIS OFFICE
JULY 22 TO REVIEW LATEST CYPRUS DEVELOPMENTS IN SERIES OF
CONSULTATIONS WITH FRENCH, U.S. (2986), AND NOW U.K. THOMAS TOLD
MISOFF THAT WALDHEIM COVERED SAME GROUND AS WE REPORTED IN
REFERENCED MESSAGE, BUT IN ADDITION BRIEFED THOMAS ON NEW
MESSAGE JUST RECEIVED FROM PEREZ DE CUELLAR. DE CUELLAR REPORTED
THAT GREEK/CYPRIOTS WERE AMENABLE TO PRELIMINARY TALKS UNDER
DE CUELLAR'S AUSPICES ONLY AFTER COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE.
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2. DE CUELLAR ALSO REPORTED HIS LATEST MEETING WITH DENKTASH WHO EXPRESSED HIS OPPOSITION TO KEDRA PALACE TALKS EVEN ON HUMANITARIAN MATTERS. WHEN DE CUELLAR POINTED OUT THAT TURKISH FM CAGLAYANGIL WAS IN FAVOR OF PRELIMINARY TALKS LEADING UP TO THE NEXT VIENNA ROUND, DENKTASH REPLIED THAT CAGLAYANGIL HAD NOT TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT LATEST GREEK/CYPRIOI ACTIONS: OBSTRUCTING CELIK'S TRAVEL TO COLOMBO, MAKARIOS LATEST PUBLIC ADDRESS, AND THE GOC'S INSCRIPTION OF CYPRUS ON THE AGENDA OF THE 31ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

3. BRITISH CHARGE TOLD US WALDHEIM THEN REMARKED THAT BEFORE RECEIVING DE CUELLAR'S MOST RECENT MESSAGE HE HAD HOPED THE PRELIMINARY TALKS COULD BE CONVENED IN THE NEXT DAYS AND POSSIBLY VIENNA SIX COULD FOLLOW BEFORE THE 31ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY. WALDHEIM ADDED THAT THIS LATEST REPORT OF BOTH COMMUNITIES OPPOSITION TO EARLY PRELIMINARY TALKS WAS CLEARLY DISCOURAGING. THOMAS VOLUNTEERED THAT HE WOULD REPORT THIS OPPOSITION TO FCO WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT U.K. PRESSURE THE GREEK CYPRIOTS TO CONSENT TO PRELIMINARY TALKS SOON. WALDHEIM SAID THIS WOULD BE HELPFUL.
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